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DIGITAL TRANSMITTERS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in setting up of digital terrestrial transmitters at the four metropolitan cities i.e. Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Calcutta;

(b) whether the area of coverage and transmission quality will be improved by these digital transmitters;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which these transmitters are likely to be installed, city-wise ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF TH MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a): Frequencies of operation of the transmitters have been worked out, specification of transmitter equipment have been formulated and further action for procurement of the equipment has been initiated.

(b) & (c):The coverage area vis-Ã -vis transmission quality is expected to improve significantly with digital transmission. Some of the other advantages are ghost-free reception even from portable antennae, mobile reception, and multi-channel operation.

(d): All the four transmitters are expected to be installed during 2001.